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DEATH TO THE FISH.

The Singular Manner in Which a Hall-Storm Destroyed Them.

The story of the poisoning of Dawho Lake, in Georgetown County, by half-storm, as telegraphed, and which many persons supposed to be "fishy," has been corroborated in every particular by a prominent citizen of Georgetown, who had investigated the matter at the request of General Greely, chief of the Signal Service.

A dense mass of black gum trees surrounds the lake on all sides. It is well known that the leaves of this tree are strongly impregnated with tannic acid. It is also been ascertained that the bottom of the lake contains a slight deposit of iron. The poisoning of the water, therefore, is thus explained. The half-storm bruised and filled the lake with the leaves and small branches of the trees; the tannic acid emanating from which, mingled with the iron and formed tannate of iron, causing the water to turn black as ink and bitter as quinine, and poisoning the fishes by thousands.

Some of the people living in the neighborhood believe that the condition of the lake is due to a judgment from God. This lake is in a valley a good deal lower than the surrounding country. They get fish from it the year round, and if it is not replenished soon it will be a judgment to them, sure enough.

One species of the fish inhabiting this lake survived the singular disaster, and that was the mudfish, which buried itself in the mud at the bottom and thus escaped the effects of the poison. The stench arising from the dead and rotten fish is described as fearful. The thousands of buzzards taking their departure in the evening for their roosting places, after a day's feast, are described as making a noise similar to that of an approaching cyclone. On each end of Dawho Lake, about half a mile distant, is a small lake, in which numbers of fish also abound, but which, upon examination, show no signs of the halibut which swept over Dawho. This confirms the belief that the direct cause of the disaster to the fish is due to the half-storm. —*Charleston (S. C.) News and Courier.*

GREATLY OVERATED.

An Eastern Widow's Experience in the Uncivilized West.

A widow, having come from the East and established herself in a Western town, was visited by a friend from the old home.

"Well, how do you like it out here, anyway?"

"Not very well."

"People too rough for you?"

"They are not only rough—they are generally, and, in fact, the men are greatly overated."

"In what way?"

"Well, I'll make a plain statement and let you draw your own conclusions. I had read in the newspapers that women were in demand out here, and I naturally expected some little attention."

"Didn't you receive it?"

"Wait a minute with my statement, please. I bought me a light-colored wig, got a new set of teeth, had my glasses re-glazed and plunged into the mad whirl of society. That was six months ago, and I am still a widow."

"Pretty bad, I must admit, but didn't you get any proposals?"

"One."

"Why didn't you take him?"

"Influenced too much by appearances, doubtless. Perhaps I did wrong in rejecting him, but I was glib in my notions. He had only one leg, was almost blind, was undoubtedly addicted to the use of liquor, was in debt, swore considerably, chewed navy tobacco and was a great liar. Perhaps, though, regardless of appearances, I would have married him, had I not heard a damaging report concerning him."

"What was it?"

"Why, I heard that he was not a lover of the fine arts. Oh, yes, the men out in this part of the country are greatly overated."

—*Arkansas Traveler.*

What a Mascaret Is.

When swiftly-flowing rivers pour their waters into the sea where they meet the tide, a high tide, the struggle between the river's current and the opposing tidal wave produces such violent disturbances in the water that they are transformed into boiling seas with whirlpools which engulf all that comes in their way. This it was that destroyed the British steamer *Romeo* near the mouth of the river Seine in France. The steamer had grounded in the darkness, and she was wrecked before daylight. This flood wave, which is called in France a mascaret, rushed upon the ship during the night and completely swamped her, drowning seven of the crew. These phenomena are well known in many rivers where the same conditions exist, and are designated by various local names. The Hoogly and Indian rivers, where they meet the Indian Ocean, and the Amazon, where it pours into the Atlantic, are subject to these visitations. —*N. O. Picayune.*

—And now the girls have a new scheme. It is an accepted superstition with them that any girl who walks nine miles on the railroad track, without falling off, the next man she speaks to will be her future husband. Real smart girls take the fellow right along and boiler at him as soon as the ordeal is past. —*Blue Hill Times-News.*

ATTEMPT IN SEARCH OF A first-class cooking apparatus can find what they want in the "Home Comfort" range sold by Morehouse, Wells & Co. One of the best housekeepers in the city says: "We did not know what home comfort was until we got a 'Home Comfort' range in the house."

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2500 yards of Lawns at 30c a yard.

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1900 yards of 30-inch Canvas Cloths, some 50 chosen patterns on cream and white grounds, at 60c a yard—positively worth 20c a yard.

Our entire stock of Garrow's 36 and 38 inch figured Batiste, at 80c a yard—regular value 120c a yard.

Solid colored Lawns, in black, navy and brown, at 70c a yard.

For this sale only, one case of soft-finished Cheviot Shirtings, assorted patterns, at 60c a yard.

1400 yards extra heavy printed Century Cloths in dress patterns from 8 to 14 yards, 25 inches wide, at 70c a yard.

1000 yards of fancy striped Seersuckers, on cream ground, at 60c a yard.

800 yards of heavy German Indigo Blue Shirting at 10c a yard, regular price 120c.

50 pieces of fine printed India Linen, in light and dark colors at 10c a yard early price 10c a yard.

White Swiss Embroidered Suits at \$1.00 each.

All shades in 19-inch Surah Silks for sashes, at 70c a yard.

Ladies' Gauze Vests and Jersey Vests at 25c each.

Ladies' Gauze Vests, lace trimmed, at 30c.

Ladies' Jersey Knit Silk Vests at \$1.00 each—reduced from \$1.50.

Ladies' Black Lisle Hose at 10c a pair.

Gents' Lisle Thread Hose at 25c a pair.

Children's Silk Mite at 10c a pair, all shades.

Ladies' Silk Mite, all shades, at 10c and 25c a pair.

Ladies' two and three buckle Canvas Belts, in white, black, tan, cardinal and navy, at 50c.

Ladies' Aprons at 10, 18, 20 and 25c each.

Special Bargain in one lot of Ladies' Muslin Underwear, slightly soiled in the wash, will be sold at two-thirds actual value.

One lot of black and colored Satin Parasols, 5-inch lace, silk linings, at \$1.50 each.

One lot of extra fine Satin Parasols, fancy linings, deep silk lace trimming, fine handles, at \$1.50 each.

One lot of fancy Coaching Parasols, all colors, worth \$3.50 to \$4.50, reduced to \$2.50.

All our best fancy Parasols, worth \$5.00 to \$6.00, reduced to \$3.50 each.

All fancy Handkerchiefs will be closed out during this sale at last week's prices.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.

MAON COUNTY, ss.

In Circuit Court of Maon County—in Chancery.

To June Term, A. D. 1888.

Louisa DePratus vs. Susan Honnessy et al—in

Partition. No. 1388.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree entered at the June Term, A. D. 1888, by the said Court in the above entitled cause, I, John A. Brown, Master in Chancery of said Maon County, Illinois, will at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon of said day

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25th, 1888,

at the west outside door of the Court House in said Maon County, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Maon, State of Illinois, to-wit: A six-acre tract of land, more or less, situated in the northeast corner of Section eleven (11) and fifteen (15) of Township six (6) of the original survey of the town of Maon, Range two (2) East and Tenth (10) North, and no sale

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